

**OVERSIGHT—MILLENNIUM SHORT CIRCUIT**

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Technology and the Subcommittee on Management, Information, and Technology of the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight held a joint oversight hearing on Millennium Short Circuit: The Y2K Effect on Energy Utilities. Testimony was heard from Hugh L. Thompson, Jr., Deputy Executive Director, Regulatory Programs, NRC; Kathleen M. Hirning, Chief Information Officer, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

**DRUG-FREE WORK PLACES**

*Committee on Small Business:* Subcommittee on Empowerment held a hearing on how to best obtain drug-free work places. Testimony was heard from Representative Portman; and public witnesses.

**AVIATION SECURITY EFFORTS**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on the Status of Aviation Security efforts with a focus on the National Safe Skies Alliance and Passenger Profiling Criteria. Testimony was heard from Keith O. Fultz, Assistant Comptroller General, Resources, Community and Economic Development Division, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Alexis M. Stefani, Deputy Assistant Inspector General, Aviation; and Adm. Cathal L. Flynn, Associate Administrator, Civil Aviation Security, FAA; James E. Orlando, Advisor to the Aviation Mail Security Committee, U.S. Postal Service; and public witnesses.

**OIL POLLUTION—CRIMINAL LIABILITY**

*Committee on Transportation:* Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing

on Criminal Liability for Oil Pollution. Testimony was heard from Capt. Malcolm Williams, USCG, Chief, Office of Maritime and International Law, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

**VA MEDICAL CENTER—ALLEGED DEATH COVERUPS**

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the GAO report of the Inspector General investigation of an alleged cover-up of deaths at the Columbia, Missouri VA Medical Center in 1992, and an examination of VA's development of a quality assurance/risk management reporting system. Testimony was heard from Representative Hulshof; Eljay B. Bowron, Assistant Comptroller General, Special Investigations, Office of Special Investigations, GAO; and the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Richard J. Griffin, Inspector General; and Thomas L. Garthwaite, M.D., Deputy Under Secretary, Veterans Health Administration.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 3828, Veterans Medicare Access Improvement Act of 1998; and H.R. 3809, Drug Free Borders Act of 1998.

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**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,  
MAY 15, 1998****Senate**

No committee meetings are scheduled.

**House**

No committee meetings are scheduled.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

9:30 a.m., Friday, May 15

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

12 noon, Monday, May 18

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Friday:** No legislative business is scheduled.

## House Chamber

**Program for Monday:** House will meet in pro forma session.

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